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MEMORANDUM FOR: National Foreign Intelligence Board Principals

SUBJECT : NIE 4-1-78, Warsaw Pact Concepts and Capabilities  
for Going to War in Europe: Implications for  
NATO Warning of War ☐

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1. "Warning of War in Europe" is a topic of continuing interest and great importance to US and NATO defense planning. It is, therefore, appropriate to review our assessment periodically. The most authoritative existing Intelligence Community document on the subject is NIE 4-1-78, published in April 1978. For various reasons, it has been decided to begin work on revalidating it. I solicit your full cooperation in this extremely important analysis. The judgments of 4-1-78 will, of course, remain the accepted Community position until the forthcoming analysis is complete. ☐

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2. ☐ the National Intelligence Officer for General Purpose Forces, will manage the project. ☐

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